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SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECTS: ROMANIAN STEEL PIPE MILL

1. MR. A. ROLLAND OF SOPEX, 1 RUE LOUIS PASTEUR,
92100 BOULOGNE (TELEPHONE: 603-3882; TELEX: SOPEX
24768F), CONTACTED THE EMBASSY CONCERNING A ROMANIAN
REQUEST FOR BIDS ON A LARGE DIAMETER PIPE MILL. ROLLAND
HAS BEEN UNABLE TO LOCATE A POTENTIAL EUROPEAN SUPPLIER
AND WOULD BE INTERESTED IN COLLABORATING WITH A U.S.
SUPPLIER IN THIS TURNKEY OPERATION.

2. THE PROJECT BEING CONTRACTED FOR BY THE ROMANIAN
MINISTRY OF METALLURGY IS FOR A PILGER HOT ROLLING MILL
FOR NON-WELDED STEEL PIPES AND TUBES WITH A DIAMETER
IN EXCESS OF 16 INCHES. THE MILL WILL HAVE A PRODUCTION
CAPACITY OF 100,000 METRIC TONS PER YEAR IN CARBON OR
ALLOYED STEEL TUBES AND PIPES WITH DIAMETERS BETWEEN
270 AND 530 MILLIMETERS AND WALLS OF UP TO 100 MM. THE
PIPES WILL BE FOR NUCLEAR, STRUCTURAL, PETROLEUM, AND
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BOILER TUBE APPLICATIONS. THE EQUIPMENT REQUIRED
INCLUDES:

- HYDRAULIC PRESS
- LENGTHENING MILL
- PILGER HOT ROLLING MILL
- GAUGING MILL

- EXPANDER
- EQUIPMENT TO CUT THE ENDS OF INGOTS WITH OXYGEN FLAMES
- EQUIPMENT FOR TORCHING INGOTS
- INGOT DRILLING MACHINE
- MACHINE TO CUTTING TUBE ENDS
- PRESS TO STRAIGHTEN TUBES AFTER HEAT TREATMENT
- CONTROL EQUIPMENT WITH MAGNETIC POWDER
- ULTRA-SONIC CONTROL EQUIPMENT
- PRESS FOR GAUGING AND TESTING TUBES
- THREADING MACHINES FOR COUPLINGS
- MACHINE FOR SCREWING COUPLINGS
- HYDRAULIC PRESS TO 650 BARS
- RECTIFYING MACHINES (1,000 TONS)
- MACHINE FOR CUTTING COUPLINGS
- INTERIOR LATHE
- POLISHING MACHINE (EXTERIOR);
- POLISHING MACHINE (INTERIOR)
- FOUCAULT CURRENT CONTROL EQUIPMENT
- VERTICAL FURNACE FOR HEAT TREATMENT OF TUBES IN STAINLESS STEEL
- HEATING AND REHEATING FURNACE
- ROLLER GUIDE BEDS.

3. FIRMS INTERESTED IN ENTERING THE BIDDING ARE
EXPECTED TO HAVE THE KNOW-HOW, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING
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CAPABILITIES, AND LICENSES FOR THE ENTIRE PROJECT AS

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WELL AS EXPERIENCE IN THE MANUFACTURE OF PIPES AND TUBES
SIMILAR TO THOSE INCLUDED IN THE PRESENT PROJECT. BIDS
HAVE BEEN REQUESTED FOR THE END OF MAY, HOWEVER, SOPEX
EXPECTS TO BE ABLE TO OBTAIN A DELAY IF IT NEEDS MORE
TIME TO DEVELOP A BID IN COLLABORATION WITH A U.S.
FIRM. FIRMS INTERESTED IN BIDDING SHOULD INCLUDE THE
FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

- NUMBER OF PIPE PLANTS INSTALLED, CAPACITY, LOCATION,
DATES OF ENTRY IN SERVICE, AND CHARACTERISTICS OF
THE RAW MATERIALS USED AND THE FINISHED PRODUCTS
PRODUCED.
- SPECIFICATIONS CONCERNING THE QUALITY OF THE
PRODUCTS AND THE METHODS OF QUALITY CONTROL USED.
- ESTIMATIONS OF THE AMOUNT OF TIME REQUIRED FOR
COMPLETION OF THIS PROJECT FROM THE DATE OF
SIGNATURE OF A CONTRACT TO THE DATE OF ENTRY IN
SERVICE OF THE PLANT.
- NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE FIRM MAKING THE BID.

4. SOPEX IS IN POSSESSION OF THE COMPLETE
SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE PROJECT AND WILL MAKE THEM
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AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED FIRMS. SOPEX WAS RECENTLY
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